UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING September 8, 2003

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETINGS ARE RECORDED ELECTRONICALLY OR STENOGRAPHICALLY AND ARE AVAILABLE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS IN THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES.

Board President Swafford called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:00 p.m.

Board members present: Tom Swafford, Jeff Ehman, Tim Henke, Patrick Murphy, Sam Vaught, and Jeff White. Staff members present: Mike Phillips, Margaret Dalle-Ave, Nathan Schulte, Mike Hicks, Steve Drake, John Trotter, John Langley, Rebecca Lambert, and Rick Schroeder. Also present: Larry Stephens representing the Monroe County Historical Society, Hank Hewetson representing Indiana University, Bob Poortinga representing Technology Service Corporation, and Gary Kent.

ROLL CALL:

6 members present.

MINUTES:

Board member Ehman requested that the following change be made in the minutes of the August 25, 2003, meeting:

Page 2, line 16, insert the name Vickie between Attorney and Renfrow.

The requested change was made by the Secretary.

WHITE MOVED AND VAUGHT SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 25, 2003, MEETING AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED. 6 AYES. 1 MEMBER ABSENT (EHERENMAN).

CLAIMS:

WHITE MOVED AND VAUGHT SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:

CLAIMS 0391353 THROUGH 0391447 INCLUDING \$304,904.34 FROM THE WATER OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND FOR A TOTAL OF \$304,904.34 FROM THE WATER UTILITY; CLAIMS 0330866 THROUGH 0330919 INCLUDING \$489,212.61 FROM THE WASTEWATER OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND AND \$229,174.24 FROM THE WASTEWATER CONSTRUCTION FUND FOR A TOTAL OF \$718,386.85 FROM THE FROM THE WASTEWATER UTILITY; AND CLAIMS 0391374 THROUGH 0381443 INCLUDING \$5,651.88 FROM THE WASTEWATER/STORMWATER FUND FOR A

TOTAL OF \$5,651.88 FROM THE WASTEWATER/STORMWATER UTILITY. TOTAL CLAIMS APPROVED – \$1,028,943.07. MOTION CARRIED. 6 AYES. 1 MEMBER ABSENT (EHERENMAN).

REQUEST FROM THE MONROE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR ASSISTANCE IN RESTORATION OF BROCK CEMETERY:

Larry Stephens of the Monroe County Historical Society presented Board members with a request for assistance in the repairs and restoration that need to be made at Brock Cemetery. (A copy of the request is attached to the minutes.) The property is owned by the City of Bloomington Utilities Department. Assistant Director Langley will act as liaison between the Utilities Department and the Historical Society.

VAUGHT MOVED AND WHITE SECONDED THE MOTION TO PROVIDE \$500.00 WORTH OF MATERIALS FOR THIS PROJECT – NO LABOR WILL BE PROVIDED. MOTION CARRIED. 6 AYES. 1 MEMBER ABSENT (EHERENMAN).

SECOND AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES – HNTB – DILLMAN ROAD WWTP HEADWORKS PUMP STATION UPGRADE:

At the request of Utilities Director Phillips this item was withdrawn from the agenda.

TSC CONTRACT:

VAUGHT MOVED AND EHMAN SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WITH THE TECHNOLOGY SERVICE CORPORATION. MOTION CARRIED. 6 AYES. 1 MEMBER ABSENT (EHERENMAN).

OLD BUSINESS:

Mike Phillips –

Utilities Director Phillips reported that the Utilities Department Budget for 2004 was presented to the City of Bloomington Common Council at the preliminary hearing on September 3, 2003. The vote was 6 yes and 3 pass. The budget was supposed to be on the Council agenda on September 10, 2003, for an approval vote; however, the Herald-Times did not publish the required Notice of Public Hearing. The approval vote was then moved to September 17, 2003. Again, however, the Herald-Times did not publish the required Notice of Public Hearing. Now, the scheduled date is September 24, 2003, for the Common Council to vote on the Utilities Department 2004 budget. Board members were encouraged to attend this meeting.

Hank Hewetson -

Hank Hewetson, representing Indiana University, stated that I.U. representatives have met twice with Utilities Department representatives to discuss the proposed rate adjustments. Mr. Hewetson thanked CBU staff members for their cooperation in this matter. Mr. Hewetson said that the I.U. representatives have now had time to understand the Utilities Department budget. While there are some concerns still remaining, I.U. representatives hope to meet at a later time to resolve these concerns and would like to suggest regular meetings. Because of these facts, I.U. representatives are satisfied and will not get in the way of the current rate increase.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was presented.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ad Hoc Subcommittee –

Board President Swafford stated that the Ad Hoc Subcommittee is still meeting to consider stormwater utility issues. Mr. Swafford proposed four (4) criteria to be used in considering which projects should be completed. Mr. Swafford further proposed that staff members rate each project on the basis of these four (4) criteria and then bring to the Board for direction about which projects to complete. Assistant Engineer Heald will be sending Board members a copy of a Draft proposal for stormwater credits along with more information about the criteria proposed. It is hoped to have this matter resolved in about two (2) more meetings of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

STAFF REPORTS:

John Langley –

Assistant Director Langley showed a short PowerPoint presentation re the Labor Management Committee. (A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes.) A family outing and awards ceremony is being sponsored by the Labor Management Committee on September 20, 2003. Board members are invited to attend.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Mike Phillips -

Utilities Director Phillips reported that the Utilities Department 2004 budget is posted on the City of Bloomington web page.

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ADJOURNMENT:	
The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.	
	L. Thomas Swafford, President